

INSIDE the *Fairgrounds*

SPRING 2008

A Magazine of the Indiana State Fairgrounds

On the Move



Indiana State Fair Commission
Mission Statement:

To be a premier venue for event producers and to serve the largest customer, the Indiana State Fair:

- The Fair's mission specifically is to showcase agriculture, youth and education in an entertaining environment.
- Year-round, we support family and youth-oriented activities and strive to be a good community neighbor and corporate citizen.
- Provide modern, flexible public spaces for all types of activities and events.

Kyle Hupfer
Chairman, Indiana State Fair Commission

Mark Merkel
President, Indiana State Fair Board

Gary Emsweller
*Chairman,
Center for Agricultural Science & Heritage
Board of Trustees*

Cynthia C. Hoyer
Executive Director, Indiana State Fair Commission

Justin Armstrong
Director, The Barn

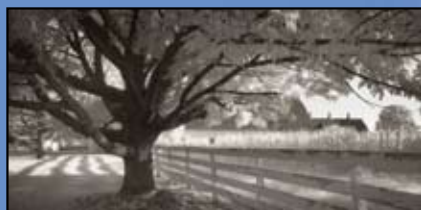
Inside the Grounds is published quarterly by the Indiana State Fairgrounds

Letters and comments should be sent to:

Angie Foreman
Editor-in-Chief, Inside the Grounds
Indiana State Fairgrounds
1202 East 38th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46205
317.927.7585 • Fax 317.927.7578
aforeman@indianastatefair.com
www.indianastatefair.com • www.thebarn.in.gov

Contributing Writer/Photographer:
Andy Klotz

Graphic Design:
Angie Foreman & Davis Graphic Design



Joe Vondesaar Photographs
The Normandy Farm print on page 8 is available for purchase.
Please contact joevond@msn.com

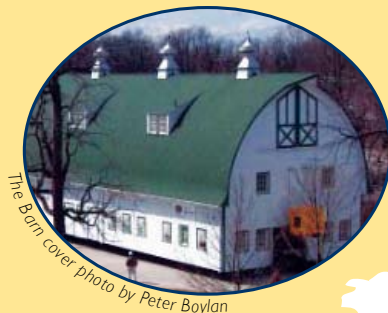


Spring 2008

INSIDE the *Grounds*

Welcome to the first issue of *Inside the Grounds*. This new publication replaces your Barn Yarn Newsletter.

INSIDE



The Barn cover photo by Peter Boylan

Feature
The Barn Move
page 8



Comin' Back Around
State Fair News
page 4

The Barn Yarn
Education News
page 5



Volunteer Corner
New Opportunities
page 12

Update
Discovery Hall Renovation
page 11



The Difference Shows
Fairgrounds Events Listing
page 13



Please recycle this magazine.

Explore • Experience • Enjoy



Welcome home.

When I think of this grand Indiana State Fairgrounds, I think of it as home - a special place where you always feel comfortable; a place that means family; a place that holds treasured memories with countless stories and gives you comfort as you explore opportunities for the future.

It's a feeling that our roots are preserved and grounded as we set sail for the next challenge.

I have heard countless people, including Mauri Williamson, say, "The Normandy Barn is coming home." That makes me proud to be a part of the past, and thrilled about the Barn's future on the fairground's north side. It's a wonderful historic

icon and will always be treated with that sense of respect.

Congratulations to the extraordinary team that created this first edition of "Inside the Grounds." This publication will occasionally detail the fairgrounds' rich history while also displaying our current activities, and will become a home for further communication.

As for the fairgrounds, it is a welcome mat for those visitors that venture onto the property and stay for awhile. This place is yours. Come in and take your shoes off...you're home.

Cynthia C. Hoyer
Executive Director

Indiana State Fair Commission

"The Barn is a wonderful historic icon and will always be treated with that sense of respect."

-Cindy Hoyer



What a journey a mile can be! Cindy Hoyer, far left, poses with Wolfe movers and fairgrounds staff after a long day of moving The Barn to its new location.

COMIN' BACK AROUND

AUGUST 6-17, 2008

Year of Indiana Trees

Did You Know?

The Indiana
hardwood
industry
creates a
\$17 billion
economic
impact and
employs over
130,000
Hoosiers.

Do you know the difference between a Poplar tree and an Oak tree? Which kind of wood is best to use for a chest of drawers? How many nuts does the average-sized Hickory tree usually produce?

These questions may or may not be keeping you up at night, but one visit to the Indiana State Fair will give you all the answers as the fair celebrates this year's featured commodity – trees!

Indiana boasts some of the most diverse and productive forests in the country, and the fair will provide the perfect setting to highlight the Indiana hardwood industry and what its \$17 billion economic impact means to all Hoosiers. Much like the “Year of Corn” last year, the state fair will make the “Year of Trees” a fun and educational experience during its 12-day run August 6 – 17.

Some of the exhibits and events featuring Indiana trees planned for this year's fair include:

- A permanent covered bridge added to the west side of the fairgrounds
- A “Tree Trail” featuring 50 species of Indiana trees planted all over the fairgrounds
- The Tree Top Gift Shop located in the center of the fairgrounds
- A unique lumberjack show
- Fun “tree-via” facts posted all around the fairgrounds and on the state fair Web site (www.indianastatefair.com)
- A Signature Food contest featuring foods that include nuts and/or hickory and maple flavoring
- Pioneer Village wood-splitting demonstrations

It's natural to think of the Great Northwest when you think of forestry and the hardwood industry, but it might surprise you to know that, according to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry, Indiana ranks #1 (by value) in the country in the production of:

- Wood office furniture
- Manufactured homes
- Wood stock line kitchen cabinets
- Wood burial caskets and coffins
- Hardwood plywood-type products

The bottom line is that Indiana has earned a global reputation for delivering quality hardwood products, and provides work for more than 50,000 Hoosiers. Even better is that Hoosier forests are sustainable – the state is currently growing one-and-a-half times more timber than it is harvesting each year.

So when you're visiting the fair this year, enjoying a tasty treat and some fine music, think for a second about that park bench you're planted on. It most likely came from an Indiana tree, which is something to celebrate.





Indiana State Fair Grandstand Concerts: On Sale April 12!

Carrie Underwood

Friday, August 8



The best-selling female country artist each of the last three years, Carrie Underwood's rise to superstardom came only after her mother's offer to drive her to an "American Idol" audition hundreds of miles away. Now the most successful "American Idol" of them all, she has a slew of awards and #1 hits, including "Wasted," "Before He Cheats", "Don't Forget to Remember Me" and "Jesus, Take the Wheel."

Chris Daughtry

Saturday, August 9

"Intense." "Pure." "Dominating." Those are just a few of the adjectives attributed to Daughtry, one of the hottest bands to break onto the rock scene in the past 20 years.

Led by frontman and band namesake Chris Daughtry, the band's debut album, "Daughtry," is certified Double Platinum and has been a constant near the top of Billboard's Top 200 albums since its release in November, 2006.



Sugarland

with Special Guest, Joe Nichols

Tuesday, August 12



Sugarland, the Country Music Association's "Duo of the Year" and the American Music Awards' "Breakthrough Favorite New Artist," consists of the singer-songwriter duo of Jennifer Nettles and

Kristian Bush.

They achieved enormous success with their debut effort "Twice the Speed of Life," which was certified Double Platinum. Their follow-up album "Enjoy the Ride" has also reached Double Platinum status with its three #1 hits "Want to," "Settlin'" and "Stay."

Tickets are available at the Indiana State Fairgrounds Box Office at 317.927.1482, all Ticketmaster locations, ticketmaster.com and charge-by-phone at 317.239.5151.

Garrison Keillor

"A Prairie Home Companion"

The Rhubarb Tour

Wednesday, August 13

Since 1974, Garrison Keillor has been telling the humorous tales of the fictional town of Lake Wobegon, Minnesota, to a growing audience that can't seem to get enough.

Keillor's weekly signature monologue, "The News from Lake Wobegon," has earned him the title of "America's finest storyteller."

Keillor and his talented crew of sidekicks will bring their popular traveling production to the fair's Grandstand stage as part of the ongoing Rhubarb Tour.



Every Little Thing is Going to be All Right



Sometimes I get so hung up on the way I think things ought to be, that I forget my belief that there is a reason for everything. I forget that as time marches on, I should have faith that every little thing is going to be all right. The relocation of the Normandy Barn supports this belief.

After setting on the south side of East 38th Street the past 10 years, the Normandy Barn now sets in the middle of the State's Largest Classroom on the north side of the fairgrounds. This is a huge step towards fulfilling its intended purpose of serving as a monument and learning center that holds aloft the past, present and future of Indiana agriculture. Its purpose will be immediately supported by existing programs and exhibits, including Pathway to Water Quality, Little Hands on the Farm and Pioneer Village.

I also believe that faith without work is dead. The relocation of the Normandy Barn is a testament to the hard work of a small group of

individuals who had a dream, the Indiana State Fair Commission staff, and a countless number of folks who supported us with their time and money.

This isn't the end of the road, it's just the beginning. The State's Largest Classroom's immediate future includes over 14,000 students in 2008 and future projects including; The Mac Reynolds Barn, Discovery Hall, a greenhouse, our new exhibit *Explore the Pastures, Experience the Future; an Exhibition of Contemporary Indiana Agriculture*, FFA Day of Service activity and a year-round livestock exhibition.

“I have a strong faith in our future and know that your support will help carry us forward.”

-Justin Armstrong

I have a strong faith in our future and know that your support will help carry us forward.

Justin Armstrong
Director
The Barn



State's Largest Classroom: Spring Programs Hatch

Beginning April 21 through May 23, the State's Largest Classroom will once again open its doors to offer unique agricultural learning experiences for students and teachers. The spring programs consist of *Farm Animals*, *Farm to Pizza* and the *Pathway to Water Quality* programs. Unfortunately, the Celebrate the Good Earth Festival was cancelled due to previously unforeseen construction taking place on the fairgrounds. However, the Hoosier Heritage Days Festival - extremely popular last year - is due to return this fall. In fact, several school groups have already booked their reservations for Hoosier Heritage Days, October 6.

In January, a State's Largest Classroom brochure offering spring programs reached approximately 4,500 teachers. The response has been tremendous! Thirty school groups consisting of more than 2,000 students are reserved. Having already reached capacity for the spring, we are now taking reservations for the fall session, September 22 through October 24. Word of mouth travels fast among schools and you can bet fall programs will reach capacity before sum-



mer break even begins! We couldn't be more pleased with the overwhelming response.

If you would like to see a "sneak peek" at our *Farm Animals* program, please visit www.thebarn.in.gov and click 'Educational Programs', then 'State's

Largest Classroom'. You will get a sense from the video that children are learning while also having fun at the State's Largest Classroom. Our mission is continually realized with each school group that comes to our campus. We look forward to creating a year-round campus for not only students, but families as well. We'll keep you posted!



Did You Know?

By this fall, the State's Largest Classroom programs will be open to families for fieldtrips! Keep us in mind for future family adventures!

The Normandy Barn...Past, Present, and Future

Right: The Barn at Normandy Farm

Below: Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Krannert with the Pike Township Lions Club Outstanding Community Service Award for 1959. Left to right: Dr. Herman B. Wells, President, Indiana University; Mrs. Krannert; Robert Ferris, President, Pike Township Lions Club; Mr. Krannert, and E. A. Gannon, Extension Dairyman, Purdue University



Photo by Joe Vondelaar



Maybe you've heard the whispers. Perhaps you've seen an article here or there. Well, now you have it, straight from the source: The Barn has officially moved! On March 24th, the historic journey finally came to fruition. The Barn crossed the road, from the south side of 38th Street to its new and final destination: the north side of the Indiana State Fairgrounds. At press time, workers were in the process of preparing the new foundation to support The Barn and complete the finishing touches.

The Past

The Normandy Barn is rich with history. In 1935, Herman Krannert, of Inland Container fame, was beginning operations on his 160-acre farm in rural Pike Township. He called his operation the Normandy Farm, so named because the rolling hills behind their farm reminded his wife, Eleanora, of Normandy, France. The Keystone structure was the dairy barn, known as the Normandy Barn. Erected in 1936 by four carpenters, Gordon Hammock, Fred Handle and Fred's sons Carl and Glen, the hand-built 9,000 square foot barn had 24 windows, four box stalls, two calf stalls, four horse stalls, harness and feed rooms, two isolation stalls for sick animals and a hay mow with a 400-ton capacity.

The farm flourished for almost 40 years, producing prize-winning Guernsey dairy cows that claimed state and world records for the quality of their milk and butterfat. After Mr. Krannert died in 1972, the property was transferred to the Krannert Trust. In 1975, John Kleinops bought approximately 395

acres of the once 600-acre Normandy Farm, including the dairy barn and other structures.

In the late 1990s, Bob Kleinops, John's son, donated The Normandy Barn to the Center for Agricultural Science and Heritage, Inc. He was interested in saving the Krannert's dairy barn for its unique architecture and fine craftsmanship. Twenty years of vacancy and exposure to the elements had taken its toll, and unless something was done soon, the deteriorating structure would soon succumb to the weather.

In October 1998, it took eight men from the Amos B. Schwartz Construction Company to dismantle, move and reconstruct the Normandy Barn at 1201 East 38th Street, directly across from the fairgrounds. Mr. Gordon Hammock, part of the team of four who built the Normandy Barn back in 1936, visited shortly after its move and renovation. He was glad to see his work live on as something the citizens of Indiana can appreciate for years to come.

The Move

The Normandy Barn eventually came to be known as simply “The Barn.” Over the course of nearly seven years, The Barn achieved a stellar reputation offering quality agricultural education. It is an enduring reputation.

At this time, The Barn is in the process of being rebuilt after moving from 38th Street. This was quite an undertaking. To prepare, all of The Barn’s windows, interior walls, HVAC, plumbing, etc. had to be removed. A series of steel beams placed lengthwise through the open windows, as well as cross beams, and column loads supported by cribbing stacks supported The Barn for its cross-road journey. The Barn crossed 38th Street, through Gate 19 and headed north to 42nd Street, turned east and arrived at its final destination just west of Pioneer Village. It took dozens of workers and approximately six hours to relocate the 120 ft. long by 35 ft. high structure to its new location. If all goes according to plan, The Barn should be ready to receive its first visitors by mid-June.



Above: All of The Barn’s floor boards were removed, exposing the foundation. The steel beams situated lengthwise through the first floor interior and out the windows help support the entire structure during the move. Dollies are in place to support all 126 tons of Barn and steel beams.

Above, Inset: Plastic covered the exposed windows for protection from the elements.



Along the way, IPL workers raised several electrical power lines to make way for The Barn’s safe passage underneath.



Amazingly, the delicate task of actually moving the dollies rested in the hands of a Wolfe mover’s small radio-controlled power unit.



In order to cross the curbs on 38th Street, a makeshift wood beam road needed to be built. Wolfe movers and Indiana State Fairgrounds’ Buildings and Grounds staff all pitched-in to help build the temporary path.

The Move continued



The Barn crosses the road...as witnessed from East 38th Street, facing west. Once The Barn was on a flat surface, it moved at a slow walk - approximately 1.5 miles per hour.



All in a days work: (l-r) ISF Electrician, Tim Galloway, and Buildings and Grounds Director, Rich Trombley, discuss the moving plans. Rich and his entire team worked tirelessly to prepare for The Barn's relocation.

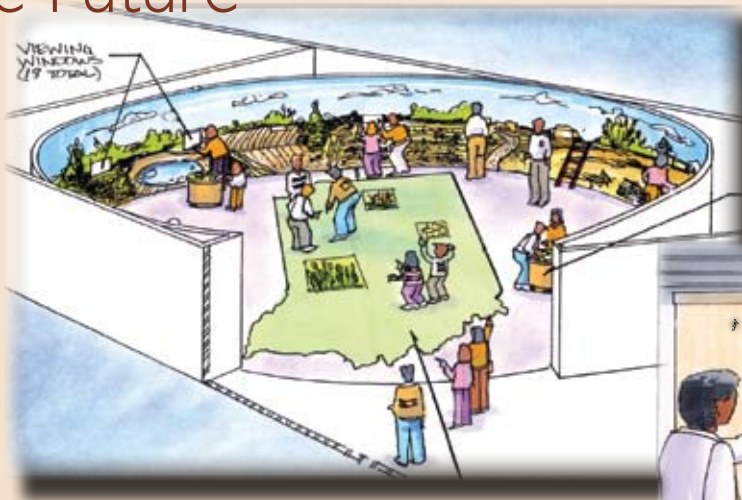


Above: The Barn makes its way toward the north side of the fairgrounds.



Left: The Barn's new home: just west of Pioneer Village. Once the foundation is ready in approximately 2 weeks, The Barn will move west 20 feet and work will begin on a new agricultural exhibit.

The Future



Left: A conceptual rendering of the Explore the Pastures, Experience the Future centerpiece.

Below: It all starts with our land...visitors will be able to explore core samples from the Hoosier landscape.



Explore the Pastures, Experience the Future: An Exhibition of Contemporary Indiana Agriculture

So, you might ask yourself, *why* did The Barn make another move?

In the spring of 2006, the Indiana State Fair Commission developed an academic framework to support year-round educational activity on the north side of the fairgrounds. In the fall of 2007, the *State's Largest Classroom* was born. Since its inception, the interactive, agricultural learning campus has hosted more

than 30 schools, and over 2,000 students – with many more already booked for this spring.

Based on the exceptional interest and successful implementation of the *State's Largest Classroom*, the Indiana State Fair Commission, in partnership with the

Indiana State Department of Agriculture and Indiana Farm Bureau, Inc., has begun the design process for a 2,500 square foot exhibition.

Explore the Pastures, Experience the Future: An Exhibition of Contemporary Indiana Agriculture will provide a more in-depth and engaging experience highlighting contemporary agriculture in the state of Indiana.

The exhibition will be permanently housed in the historic Normandy Barn, generously donated to the ISF Commission by the Center for Agricultural Science and Heritage. The Barn's relocation to the north side of the fairgrounds, adjacent to the nationally regarded "Pioneer Village Exhibition," Nordique Greenhouse and future "Reynolds Technology Barn" will provide for a series of agricultural exhibitions in continuum that offer visitors an accessible opportunity to compare and contrast the past, present and future of Indiana Agriculture on a year-round basis. The Barn fits in perfectly with the framework already in place for year-round educational activity on the north side.

With the addition of such an important and relevant exhibition, Mr. Hammock can rest assured that his fine craftsmanship will indeed "live on as something the citizens of Indiana can appreciate for years to come."



Technology will allow the exhibition to constantly innovate to remain relevant.

Update

Discovery Hall Renovation

In 2004, the Indiana State Fair cut the ribbon on two-thirds of the renovated 4-H Education Complex. The 4-H Exhibit Hall and the renamed Centennial Hall (formerly the Boys' Dormitory) were opened to the public in grand style with new windows, modern furnishings, updated plumbing and electric and – most importantly – air conditioning! More than \$7 million went into the upgrade, which was met with much fanfare and appreciation.

Fast forward to 2008... the third building in the complex, Discovery Hall (formerly the Girls' Dormitory), is still receiving its improvements. It is halfway through its four-phase face lift. The outer structure has already been addressed with new windows, new doors, and tuck-pointing. Inside, the building's electrical system has been overhauled as have the boilers and emergency lighting system.

Phase 3 of the project is scheduled for January 2009. That's when work to complete the building's first two floors and the elevator should

begin. It is expected to be completed and open to the public by the '09 State Fair. Finally, Phase 4 calls for the top floor to be finished beginning in January 2010. That work should be finalized by the '10 State Fair when the entire building will be open to the public.



Top: Discovery Hall, a work in progress.

Bottom: The 4-H Exhibit Hall after the much-needed facelift.



Thanks to a generous contribution from Dow AgroSciences, Discovery Hall is being renovated. The first 2 floors are expected to be open to the public by the '09 State Fair, and the entire building by the '10 State Fair.

Opportunities

Are you looking for a great place to share your love of agriculture, farm animals, and farming? Well, look no further than a volunteership at the Indiana State Fairgrounds' State's Largest Classroom campus. Class is in session Monday through Friday, from April 21 through May 23. Come get your hands dirty while teaching kids about their food origins and why farming and livestock is important to them.

In addition to the State's Largest Classroom, we are also looking for reliable volunteers to fill positions at the Great Indiana State Fair's 'The Wonder Trail' and 'Little Hands on the Farm'. The Indiana State Fair is August 6 through the 17.

To register, please visit www.thebarn.in.gov, click 'Professional Development', then 'Volunteer', and download a volunteer form. You will receive a Barn volunteer t-shirt, a yearly appreciation party and, if you volunteer during the fair, a free fair pass! But, most importantly, you are providing a unique, memorable learning experience for children of all ages. Does it get any better than that?



Volunteers: Austin & Priscilla McCallister demonstrate corn shelling and meal grinding at the Hoosier Heritage Days Festival.



Don Kaufman hosts the wagon rides at the State's Largest Classroom. Mr. Kaufman has also been a regular volunteer each year at the fair.

Volunteer Spotlight



Jan Sutton Nicholas a/k/a Possum Molly

Jan has been a living history interpreter for 22 years traveling Indiana and surrounding states. She created her character at Conner Prairie Pioneer Living History Museum in Noblesville, Indiana, and has visited thousands of school children and festivals annually since. Each program is customized for the group. Last fall, Possum Molly volunteered her time to teach and entertain the students who visited the Hoosier Heritage Days Festival at the State's Largest Classroom.

The Difference Shows

The Indiana State Fairgrounds plays host to more than 300 unique events each year. If you're looking for something different, you've found your place.

April



11-13 Hoosier Antiques Expo

West Pavilion
Friday-Saturday 11am-6pm; Sunday 11am-5pm Admission: \$7; Advance \$6; Children 12 & under Free Have hand stamped & return all 3 days Shawn Hastings (618) 635-2895 www.HoosierAntiqueShows.com

11-13 Indy Home & Remodeling Show

Toyota Exposition Hall
Friday 3-9pm; Saturday 10am-9pm; Sunday 10am-6pm Admission: \$7; Children 6-12 \$3; 5 & under Free
Kim Huber (317) 863-0415
www.indyhomeandremodelingshow.com

11-13 Stewart's Indiana Flea Market

Ag/Hort Building
Friday Noon-6pm; Saturday 10am-6pm; Sunday 10am-4pm Admission: Free
Stewart Promotions (502) 456-2244
www.stewartpromotions.com

12 Mecum Car Auction

Northwest Pavilion
Saturday: Preview of cars all day (100 cars)
Auction 7-11pm; 8-11pm
Live on Network TV Harold Gerdes (815) 568-8888
www.mecumauction.com

12-13 hhgregg - WFMS Country Music Expo

Toyota Blue Ribbon & Champions Pavilions Saturday 9am-7pm; Sunday 9am-6pm
WFMS (317) 842-9550
www.countrymusicexpo.com
Tickets available at all Ticketmaster Outlets, Ticketmaster.com, or Charge-by-Phone at (317) 239-5151



13 Midwest Reptile Show

Clarian Healthy Lifestyles Pavilion
Sunday 10am-4pm
Admission: \$5; Children 8 & under Free
Brian Hahn (317) 861-5550
www.midwestreptile.com

19 Mecum Car Auction

Northwest Pavilion
Saturday: Preview of cars all day (100 cars)
Auction 7-11pm; 8-11pm
Live on Network TV Harold Gerdes (815) 568-8888
www.mecumauction.com

19 CCE Open Championship Cheer & Dance Competition

Champions Pavilion
Saturday: Begins at 10am
Admission: Free
Jacalyn Kirschner (813) 425-4653
www.CCEcheer.com

19 Eastside Reunion Fundraising Dance

Ag/Hort Building
Saturday 7pm-Midnight
Admission: Advance \$10; At Door \$15
Peter Watford (317) 547-9983

19 Naptown Roller Derby

Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion
Saturday: Doors open at 6pm; Bout at 7pm
Admission: Advance \$10; At Door \$15
Info Line (317) 522-1958
www.naptownrollergirls.com

23 Indiana Electrical Expo '08

Toyota Blue Ribbon & Champions Pavilions
Wednesday 9:30am-7:30pm
Kick-off Breakfast 8:30am-9:30am; \$50 each Admission: Trade Show Free but must pre-register
Lisa Crouch (317) 250-7193
www.elinews.org

26 Mecum Car Auction

Northwest Pavilion
Saturday: Preview of cars all day (100 cars)
Auction 7-11pm; 8-11pm
Live on Network TV Harold Gerdes (815) 568-8888
www.mecumauction.com

26-27 Indy Baby Expo

Ag/Hort Building Saturday & Sunday 10am-6pm Admission: \$5; Children under 5 Free
Jenn Kampmeier (317) 517-9920
www.indybabyexpo.com

May



2 Casting Crowns Concert

Pepsi Coliseum
Fri. Doors open 6 pm; Concert at 7 pm
Admission: \$75, \$40, \$35, \$28, \$22 &
\$16 New Covenant Productions
(317) 839-0311

2 Clarian Health Jump Rope Contest

Farm Bureau Building
Fri 9:30 am – 2:30 pm
Lisa Cole (317) 962-1018

3-4 Hoosier Regional Volleyball Tournament

West Pavilion
Scott McQueen (317) 839-5222
www.capitolssportscenter.com

6 Marion County Primary Election

Farm Bureau Bldg. & Clarian Health
Lifestyles Pavilion
Tues. 6 am – 6 pm

15-18 Mecum Car Auction

Toyota Blue Ribbon, Champions,
West & South Pavilions
Gates open 8 am; Auctions begin
Thurs. 11 am; Fri. & Sat. 10 am and
Sun. 11 am
Harold Gerdes (815) 568-8888
www.mecumauction.com

16-18 Suri Llama Ancient Treasure II 2008 Sales & Conference

Grand Hall
Daily 9 am-5 pm, Sat. Auction 7:30 pm
Admission to Show & Auction Free
Victoria Miller (715) 852-1054
www.surillama.com

17 Naptown Roller Derby

Toyota Expo Hall
Doors open 6 pm; Bouts at 7 pm
Admission: \$10.00 Advance
\$15.00 at door
Information (317) 522-1958
www.naptownrollergirls.com



23-24 National Auto Racing Memorabilia Show

Pioneer Our Land Pavilion
Fri. 1:30 – 7:30 pm
Sat. 9:30 am-4:30 pm
Admission: Fri. \$10 Sat. \$7
Bill Daniels (765) 482-7000
www.narmshow.com

23 Hoosier Hundred Auto Race Grandstand

Robert Sargent (217) 765-3200
www.trackenprises.com

30-June 1 Indy 1500 Gun & Knife Show

Toyota Expo Hall
Fri. 2 – 8 pm; Sat. 8 am – 6 pm;
Sun. 9 am – 4 pm
Don Masters (405) 340-1333
www.indy1500.com

June

4-7 Indianapolis Charity Horse Show

West Pavilion, South Pavilion &
Pepsi Coliseum
Wed. 7pm – 10pm
Thurs. 10am, evening session 7pm
Fri. 10am, evening session 7pm
Sat. sessions begin at 9am, 2pm, 7pm
Admission: Free
Phyllis Harris (317) 336-7569
www.indycharityhs.org

7 National Race for World Hunger/ Royal Ambassador Racers

Pioneer Our Land Pavilion
8am – 5pm
Admission: Free \$5 to race
Frank Green (931) 935-8201

14 Naptown Roller Derby

Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion
Sat. Doors open at 6pm. Game 7pm
Admission: Advance \$10, Day of \$15
Information: (317) 522-1958
www.naptownrollergirls.com

26-27 ISF Indy International Wine Competition

Toyota Blue Ribbon Pavilion
Thur. 10am – 2pm Fri. 10am – 2pm
Jill Bloom (765) 494-3614
www.indyinternational.org

21-22 7th Annual Northern Midwest ZNA Koi Fish Show

Pioneer Our Land Pavilion
Sat. 9 am-4 pm; Sun. 9 am-3 pm
Admission: \$3 Adults;
children under 17 Free
Richard Thomas 765-447-3587
www.nmzna.net

26-29 Region 13 Championship Arabian Horse Show

Outdoor arena, South Pavilion,
West Pavilion and Pepsi Coliseum
Thurs. thru Sun. 8am
Admission: Free
Jan Decker (317) 861-4814
www.region13.net

29 Midwest Reptile Show

Clarian Healthy Lifestyles Pavilion
10am – 4pm
Admission: \$5 children 8 and under
Free
Brian Hahn (317) 8612-5550

*All events are subject to change. Please refer
to our website. www.indianastatefair.com,
for the most up-to-date information.*

Next Up: Indiana's Newest Covered Bridge



Indiana is known nationally for its covered bridges. Parke County in western Indiana, which holds a popular covered bridge festival each fall, even touts itself as the “Covered Bridge Capital of the World.” So it should come as no surprise that the Indiana State Fair is going to honor this unique aspect of Hoosier life with a covered bridge of its own.

The Indiana State Fair covered bridge will be located on the fairgrounds’ west side and will serve as the site for the fair’s 2008 opening ceremonies. Its design is based on an authentic Parke County wood bridge, although it will be placed over an

existing concrete roadway. A walk lane will be constructed along the east side of the bridge, so fairgoers traveling that end of the fairgrounds can use the bridge by foot or when riding one of the fair’s tractor shuttles.

The structure will not only highlight Indiana’s covered bridge heritage, but it will also serve as a beautiful, highly visible symbol of the state’s robust hardwood industry.

If you would like to be part of history in building the Indiana State Fair Covered Bridge, please visit our website at www.indianastatefair.com.



The Indiana State Fairgrounds
1202 East 38th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46205

Presorted Standard U.S. Postage Paid Indianapolis, IN Permit No. 5420
--